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Applicants

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For

DNA SEQUENCES CODING FOR THE

DR B-CHAIN LOCUS OF THE HUMAN LYMPHOCYTE

ANTIGEN COMPLEX AND POLYPEPTIDES,

DIAGNOSTIC TYPING PROCESSES AND PRODUCTS

RELATED THERETO

New York, New York April 16, 1997

Hon. Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This is in response to the October 17, 1996 Office Action in the above-identified application. Applicants have petitioned concurrently herewith to extend the time for response to that Office Action for three months, from January 17, 1997 up to and including April 17, 1997, and have paid the requisite fee [37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136(a), 1.17].

Kindly amend the application as follows: